

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Thomas J. Ridge, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1301–S1372

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced as follows: S. 201–204. Page S1368

Omnibus Appropriations Resolution: Senate resumed consideration of H.J. Res. 2, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S1302–07, S1325–59

Adopted:

By 51 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 11), Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 86 to provide for a study by the National Academy of Sciences. Pages S1302–04

By 59 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 15), Cochran Amendment No. 204, to provide agricultural assistance. Pages S1327–40

Durbin Amendment No. 127, to provide an additional amount for funding global HIV/AIDS programs. Pages S1347–50

McCain (for Kyl) Amendment No. 54, to make funds available for the Entry Exit System, to be managed by the Justice Management Division. Pages S1350–52

Dayton Modified Amendment No. 80, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296) to provide that waivers of certain prohibitions on contracts with corporate expatriates shall apply only if the waiver is essential to the national security. Pages S1302, S1352

Dodd (for Stevens) Modified Amendment No. 217, to provide additional funding for special education programs. Page S1353

Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 12), Edwards Amendment No. 67, to require a study of the final rule relating to prevention of significant deterioration and nonattainment new source review to determine the effects of the final rule on air pollution and human health. Pages S1302, S1304–07

By 39 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 16), Daschle Amendment No. 79, to provide emergency disaster assistance to agricultural producers. Pages S1327–40

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 97, to make additional appropriations for emergency relief activities. (By 48 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 17), Senate tabled the amendment.) Pages S1302, S1340–41

Specter Amendment No. 68, to provide special minimum funding requirements for certain pension plans maintained pursuant to collective bargaining agreements. (By 64 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 18), Senate tabled the amendment.) Pages S1341–46

Withdrawn:

Dodd Amendment No. 71, to provide additional funding for part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Pages S1302, S1352

Gregg Amendment No. 78, to provide additional funding for special education programs. Pages S1302, S1352

Pending:

Feingold Amendment No. 200, to restrict funds made available for IMET assistance for Indonesian military personnel to “Expanded International Military Education and Training” assistance unless certain conditions are met. Pages S1354–55

Mikulski Amendment No. 61, to prohibit funds to be used to establish, apply, or enforce certain goals relating to Federal employees and public-private competitions or work force conversions. Pages S1355–57

Murray Amendment No. 39, to provide funding for the community access program. Pages S1357–58

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 45 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 14), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 207 of H. Con. Res. 68, Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2000 as amended by S. Res. 304 (107th Congress), with respect to Reed Amendment No. 40, to expand the

Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 207 of H. Con. Res. 68 was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

Pages S1302, S1325–27

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendments listed above, on Thursday, January 23, 2003, with votes to occur thereon, at a time to be determined by the leadership.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the joint resolution at 10:45 a.m., on Thursday, January 23, 2003, with votes to occur on the pending amendments listed above beginning at 11 a.m.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. EX. 13), Thomas J. Ridge, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Pages S1307–24, S1372

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mark W. Everson, of Texas, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue for a term of five years.

John Paul Woodley, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

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Executive Communications:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements:

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Authority for Committees to Meet:

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Privilege of the Floor:

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—18) Pages S1304, S1307, S1324, S1326–27, S1340, S1341, S1346

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 7:56 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, January 23, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1372.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nomination of Asa Hutchinson, of Arkansas, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Border and Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Lincoln, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 8, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2003.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10 a.m., Thursday, January 23

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Monday, January 27

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:45 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.J. Res. 2, Omnibus Appropriations, with votes to occur on certain pending amendments beginning at 11 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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